

SENATE BILL 459

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12,
Chapter 1, Part 2 and Title 66, relative to the
protection of private property rights.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12, Chapter 1, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) The state or any political subdivision of the state shall not adopt or implement any policy recommendation that intentionally or inadvertently infringes upon or restricts private property rights without due process of law, even if required by recommendations originating in or traceable to a policy statement for sustainable development adopted in 1992 at the Conference on Environment and Development by an organization composed of representatives of multiple nations or any other international law or plan of action that contravenes the United States Constitution or the Constitution of Tennessee.

(b) Because organizations composed of representatives of multiple nations enlist and accredit numerous nongovernmental and intergovernmental organizations to assist in the implementation of policies for sustainable development, the state or any political subdivision of the state shall not enter into any agreement, expend any sum of money, receive funds for contracting services, or give financial aid to or receive such aid from nongovernmental and intergovernmental organizations engaging in such policy implementation.

SECTION 2. Any existing statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, or other similar agreement in conflict with this act is hereby repealed and is of no effect. No contract in conflict with this act shall be entered into or renewed on or after its effective date.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.